

AN ACT

relating to certain political party officials visiting a primary election polling place for administrative purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 172, Election Code, is amended by adding Section 172.1113 to read as follows:

Sec. 172.1113. COUNTY CHAIR PERMITTED IN POLLING PLACE.

(a) In this section, "voting period" means the period beginning when the polls open for voting and ending when the polls close or the last voter has voted, whichever is later.

(b) The county chair of a political party conducting a primary election may be in a polling place during the voting period as necessary to perform administrative functions related to the conduct of the election.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

H.B. No. 1996

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1996 was passed by the House on May 8, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1996 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor